

STATE of MINNESOTA

Proclamation

WHEREAS: Minnesota Children's Museum has provided hands-on playful learning opportunities for families

throughout the state since 1981; and

WHEREAS: The museum has grown to serve more than 430,000 visitors per year; and

WHEREAS: The museum completed a major expansion and renovation that includes 10 new exhibits—

including The Scramble, a four-story climbing adventure; and

Whereas: The museum also added a variety of visitor amenities—including a café and coffee bar; and

WHEREAS: The museum created entirely new exhibits that feature open-ended play activities-the type of

experiences that help children develop the important skills they need to thrive at home, at school

and everywhere else; and

WHEREAS: The museum will celebrate the grand opening of its expanded and renovated museum on May 26,

2017 in downtown Saint Paul; and

WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota, the City of Saint Paul, and a variety of generous corporations, foundations

and individuals that partnered to make this project a success; and

WHEREAS: The #PlayMoreMN campaign encourages everyone to play more and to help parents recognize and

support the essential skills children develop through play; and

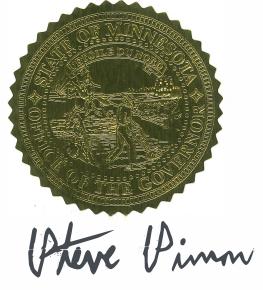
WHEREAS: The State of Minnesota and Minnesota Children's Museum urge all Minnesotans to join the

#PlayMoreMN movement this Memorial Day weekend by taking time out to play.

NOW, THEREFORE, I, MARK DAYTON, Governor of Minnesota, do hereby proclaim Friday, May 26, 2017, as:

"#PLAYMOREMN: MINNESOTA'S TIME TO PLAY" DAY

in the State of Minnesota.



IN WITNESS WHEREOF, I have hereunto set my hand and caused the Great Seal of the State of Minnesota to be affixed at the State Capitol this $25^{\rm th}$ day of May.

